

Thurston County Trueblood Grant Project

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Background

- ▶ Trueblood et al v. DSHS - March 2015
 - ▶ Wait times for competency evaluation and restoration services - due process violation
 - ▶ Reduce length of time class members are waiting in jail - no more than 7 days for admission to a hospital for competency services
 - ▶ Evaluations must be completed within 14 days of the court order signature
 - ▶ Court Monitor appointed to monitor progress



Trueblood Class Members

Defined as individuals who:

- ▶ Currently, or have a history of, waiting in jail for either:
 - Court ordered in-jail evaluation of competency to stand trial or;
 - Court-ordered admission for inpatient evaluation or restoration services
- ▶ May be charged with misdemeanors or felonies
- ▶ Have one or more of the following conditions that may impact their competency to stand trial:
 - ▶ mental health and/or substance use conditions,
 - ▶ intellectual and developmental disabilities,
 - ▶ traumatic brain injuries,
 - ▶ or other cognitive impairments due to age, injury or disease.



What are the most needed services?

Housing

Medication
Management

Case
Management

Transportation

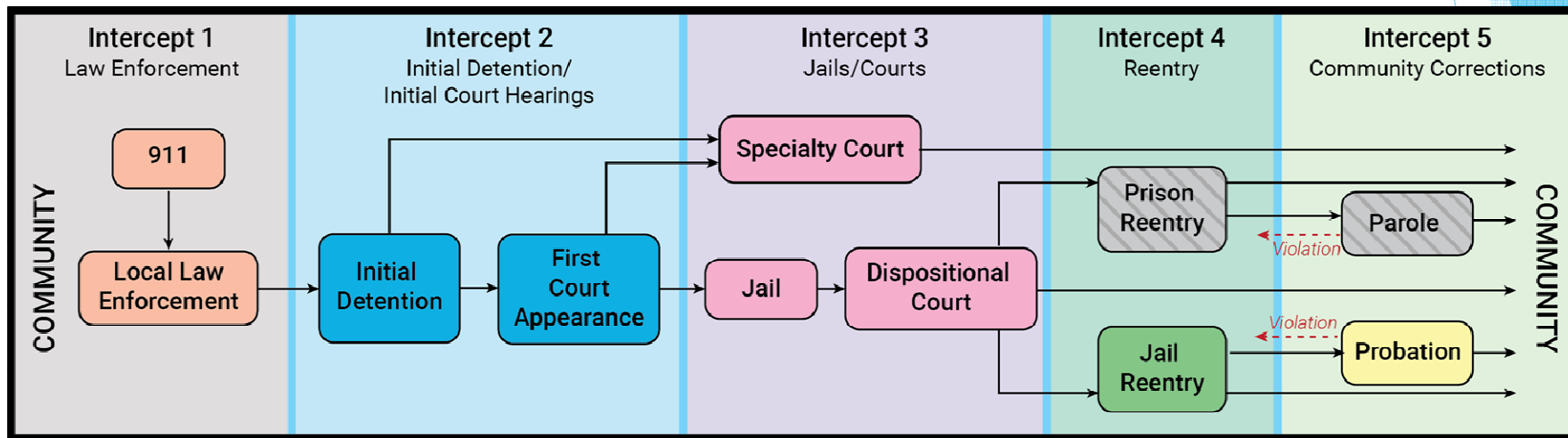


RFP Recommended Priorities

- ▶ 1. Prevent deeper class member involvement in and recidivism in the criminal justice system;
- ▶ 2. Reduce demand for competency services;
- ▶ 3. Minimize the harm inflicted on class members by reducing criminal justice involvement and long term incarceration rates; and
- ▶ 4. Serve class members in the least restrictive environment.



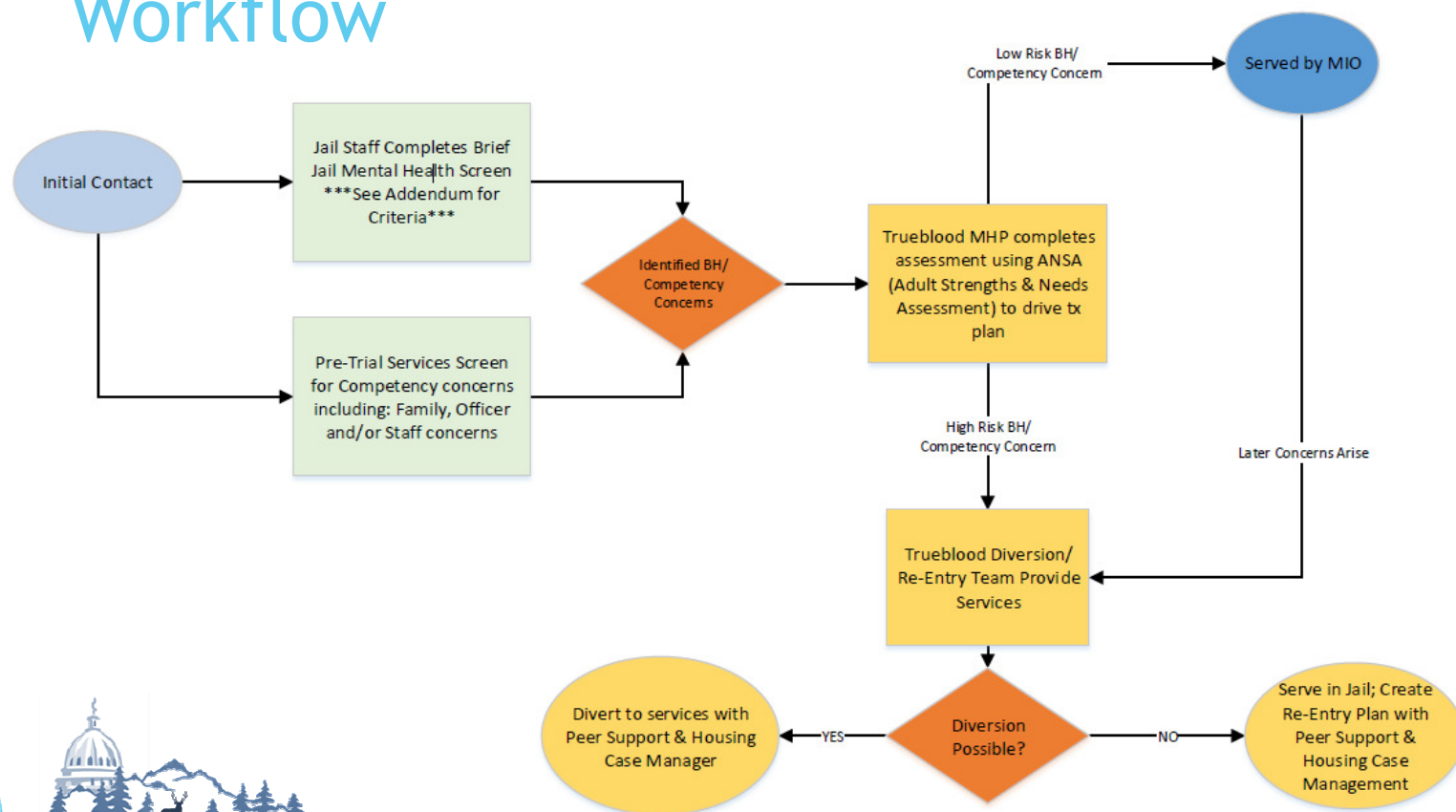
Sequential Intercept Model



SAMHSA's GAINS Center. (2013). *Developing a comprehensive plan for behavioral health and criminal justice collaboration: The Sequential Intercept Model* (3rd ed.). Delmar, NY: Policy Research Associates, Inc.



Trueblood Diversion and Re-Entry Workflow



Post-Booking Diversion

- ▶ Clinical advocacy in the courtroom for potential diversion options
- ▶ WSH liaison, and
- ▶ Maintaining engagement and mental health treatment (medication compliance)



Re-Entry Services

For up to 90 days, the Peer Support Specialist helps the individual identify and develop goals when planning for release and re-entry into the community

Grant-funded items:

- Rental assistance
- Bus passes
- Meal vouchers
- Assistance with ID cards and/or birth certificates

No-cost items:

- Connection to behavioral health and primary care services
- Linkage to community resources (shelters, food banks, etc.)
- Social supports



Interagency Partnerships

- ▶ Thurston County Law & Justice Council
- ▶ LEAD Program
- ▶ Thurston-Mason Mental Health Triage
- ▶ MIO Program
- ▶ Western State Hospital - Peer Bridgers
- ▶ DSHS-Home and Community Services and Area Agency on Aging
- ▶ Accountable Communities of Health - Cascade Pacific Action Alliance
- ▶ Managed Care Organizations



Questions?

